

DNREC now accepting grant proposals for community water quality improvement projects

Informational workshop set for Sept. 13 at State Street Commons in Dover

DOVER (Aug. 29, 2016)– DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship is now accepting project proposals for matching grants for community water quality improvement projects. Delaware non-profit organizations, conservation districts, community organizations and homeowner's associations are eligible to apply. Proposals must be received by 4:30 p.m. Oct. 26, 2016.

Community Water Quality Improvement Grants assist in implementing projects or programs to improve water quality on developed lands consistent with specific plans developed for watershed improvements. Programs and projects selected will demonstrate innovative and sustainable methods, techniques, and/or practices for water quality improvements, with cost effective and measurable results. Projects will be recommended for funding by the Delaware Water Infrastructure Advisory Council through a competitive grant process.

Funding for projects receiving a grant award in this cycle is anticipated to range from \$25,000 minimum to \$75,000 maximum. This grant requires a 25 percent cash match which may be federal, state, or local cash. Applicants may submit up to two project proposals per grant cycle.

An informational workshop will be held 1 – 3 p.m. Sept. 13 at State Street Commons, Commons Training Center, 100 W. Water Street, Dover, DE 19904. Pre-registration is required by Sept. 8 by contacting Sharon Webb, Nonpoint Source Pollution Program, at 302-739-9922.

Proposals must be submitted by email by 4:30 p.m. Oct. 26 to Sharon.Webb@delaware.gov (Subject: Community Water Quality Improvement Grant). Proposals submitted by email must be less than 10 MB. Project guidelines and the application can be found on DNREC's website on the [Environmental Finance page](#). For more information, contact Sharon Webb at 302-739-9922.

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